



## REMINDER:

YCS Half-Day this Friday, March 26th for students.

YCS Spring Break is March 29th returning April 6th. This is for all YCS students in-person and online learning.

Reminder: Spring Sports for YCHS starts Monday, March 22, 2021

Erickson Elementary and YIES have grade levels returning tomorrow, Monday, March 22, 2021

Ypsilanti Community Schools is excited to welcome back our **third group** of remote students to the classrooms on **Monday, March 22**. Please see the chart below to determine your child's return date but note these dates are subject to change.

School	Demographics	3-1-2021	3-8-2021	3-15-2021	3-22-2021	3-29-2021	4-6-2021	4-12-2021	4-19-2021
Holmes	Grade Level	2nd Grade, SC - EI		3rd Grade		Spring Break	4th, 5th & SC - ASD		
Estabrook	Grade Level	2nd Grade		3rd Grade			4th, 5th & SC		
Erickson	Grade Level	1st Grade		2nd & 3rd Grade	4th Grade		5th Grade		
YIES	Grade Level	Kindergarten/Y5		1st & 2nd Grade	3rd & 4th Grade		5th Grade		
Beatty ELC	Grade Level	Pre-K							
Ford ELC	Grade Level	Pre-K, ECSE		Y5, Kdg			1st Grade		
Perry ELC	Grade Level	Pre-K, ECSE		Y5, Kdg			1st Grade		
**YCMS/YCHS/ACCE-Will communicate return dates by March 29th				**Dates are subject to change. Any changes will be immediately communicated with families.					
March 29-April 2:	Spring Break-No School for the district			Key:					
April 5th:	No School: Easter Monday			Y5-Young 5's					
				Kdg-Kindergarten					
** Monday-Thursday In-Person and Friday asynchronous/online for all grade levels				SC-Self Contained					
				ECSE-Early Childhood Special Education					

Please review the [letter Superintendent Alena Zachery-Ross](#) sent to parents with details on our students' return. The letter includes videos and letters from each

building principal at the preschool and elementary school level. These videos will help you navigate your students' first day back.

**\*\*Reminder that students who have signed up for online/remote learning all year long will remain in that learning mode and should not return to school. If you have any concerns about your child's learning mode, please contact your building principal.**

### **[Bus Routes for Monday, March 22nd](#)**

Please visit our website for the most up-to-date bus route information for our returning students.

<https://www.ycschools.us/about-us/administration/transportation/new-bus-routes---for-march-2021/>

# MARCH IS READING MONTH

**WHO:** UMICH STUDENT-ATHLETES & K-3RD GR.  
CLASSROOMS ACROSS WASHTENAW COUNTY

**WHAT:** MARCH IS READING MONTH - VIRTUAL  
CLASSROOM READING INITIATIVE  
MICHIGAN ATHLETICS HAS PARTNERED WITH ALUM &  
AUTHOR, BRAD MELTZER TO READ FROM HIS COLLECTION

**WHEN:** WEEKDAYS THRU MARCH, 9:00 AM OR 1:00 PM  
EACH CLASS IS LIMITED TO ONE VISIT

**WHERE:** YOUR CLASSROOM ZOOM!

**WHY:** PROMOTE LITERACY AND LOVE OF READING

**HOW:** **SIGNUP:** [bit.ly/21TeachMarRead](https://bit.ly/21TeachMarRead)  
STUDENT-ATHLETES CONTINUE TO SIGNUP FOR READING, IF YOU CAN'T GET A TIME  
SLOT ON YOUR FIRST TRY, CHECK BACK OR CONTACT COLETTE FOR WAITLIST



**CONTACT:**  
COLETTE HEMKER  
[CMHEMKER@UMICH.EDU](mailto:CMHEMKER@UMICH.EDU)



EASTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY &  
WASHTENAW INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DISTRICT  
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**COMMUNITY FORUM**  
**SHARING OUR STORIES - LEARNING FROM OUR**  
**PAST & FUTURE**



**MODERATORS: YOUTH COUNCIL &**  
**DR. YOLANDA SEALEY-RUIZ**  
***AUTHOR OF LOVE FROM THE VORTEX***

**MARCH 24, 2021**

**4:00 - 6:00 PM**

*We are grateful for the support of our local libraries:  
Ann Arbor District Library, Ypsilanti District Library, Saline District Library,  
Chelsea District Library, & Dexter District Library*



# Community COVID-19 Vaccine Pop-Up Clinics



- Tues 3/16 at St. Francis Assisi Parish in Ann Arbor, 4-8pm
  - in Spanish/en Español
- Sat 3/20 at Ypsilanti High School Shadford Field Parking Lot 10am-3pm (drive-thru)
- Mon 3/22 at Bethel AME in Ann Arbor, 10am-1pm
- Tues 3/23 at Second Baptist Church in Ypsilanti, 10am-1pm
- Wed 3/24 at New Covenant Missionary Baptist in Ypsilanti, 2-7pm (drive-thru)

**\*A 2nd dose appointment will be scheduled for 4 weeks after the 1st dose**

## TO REGISTER:

call 734-544-6700 OR email [wchdpopup@washtenaw.org](mailto:wchdpopup@washtenaw.org)

Please bring any form of official identification that shows your name, birthdate, & address. Vaccines will be given by appointment only. Please do not come to these sites without an appointment. These sites are providing Moderna vaccines.

## To be eligible, you need to:



Live in zip code 48105, 48108, 48197, or 48198 AND



### For 3/16 & 3/20 clinics:

be 50 years old or older & have a medical condition or disability or be 65 years old or older

### For 3/22, 3/23, & 3/24 clinics:

be 50 years old or older

These clinics are part of a project supporting equitable vaccine access for African American and Latinx community members. Learn more here: <http://bit.ly/popup555>



[www.washtenaw.org/COVID19vaccine](http://www.washtenaw.org/COVID19vaccine)



YCS SOCIAL WORKERS PRESENTS

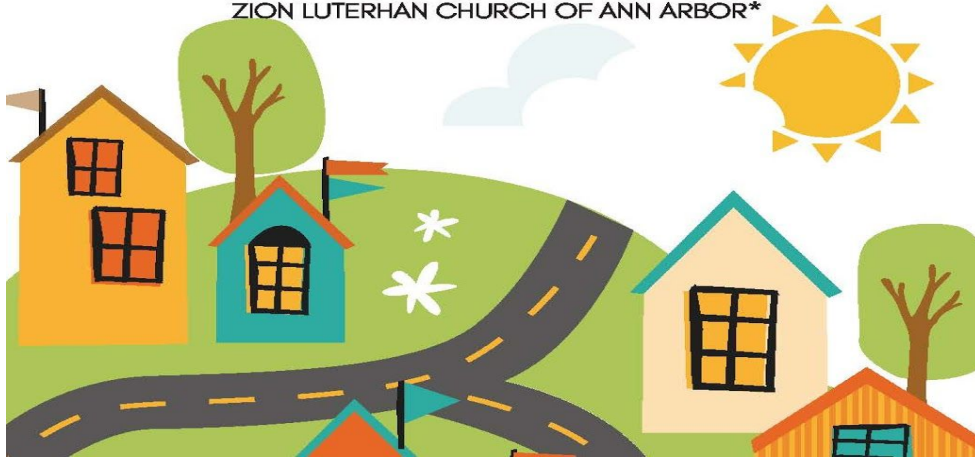
# ***YPSILANTI RESOURCE ROUNDUP***

*Join YCS social workers and community leaders on  
Zoom to discuss the many resources available to  
families right here in our city!*

**THURSDAY, MARCH 25 @ 5-6 PM**

**[HTTPS://US02WEB.ZOOM.US/J/87288230707](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87288230707)**

**\*VISA GIFT CARDS WILL BE RAFFLED OFF COURTESY OF  
ZION LUTERAN CHURCH OF ANN ARBOR\***



**FREE ART KITS** through the “Our Layers of Identity” program! Click on  
the link for more information!

**<https://www.wccnet.edu/learn/departments/hlad/our-layers-of-identity.php>**

## **Volunteers Needed for Ypsilanti Blood Drive:**

### **Information about the drive:**

- Location: Ypsilanti Freighthouse
- April 15th
- Time: 12:00 - 6:00 PM
- Volunteer shifts: 12 - 2 PM, 2 - 4 PM, 4 - 6 PM
- Volunteer duties:
  - Temp Taker - All donors must have their temp taken on arrival at the blood drive. This person will guide the donors on where to stand for the system to properly take body temperature. If the event this system isn't working, they would have to do oral temperatures. Plan for the temp taking camera/tablet system.
  - Registration - This person signs the donors into the red cross computer, checks their appointment time, ensure they have an ID and that they have read the pre donation materials (available at the drive) or filled out rapid pass. We want someone in this role about 15 min before the drive starts until the end time of 6p.
  - Canteen - This person gets the donors snacks and drinks after donation. They watch the donors and interact to ensure the donors are feeling ok. In the event a donor doesn't feel well, they will notify the Red Cross staff. We want someone in this role from 12p until about 6:45p or until the last donor is through the process.

Also, we're looking to have about 3-4 volunteers per shift.

Email: [jtillisonlove@cityofypsilanti.com](mailto:jtillisonlove@cityofypsilanti.com)

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## SummerWorks

Washtenaw County Summer Youth Employment Program



### Do More this Summer. Invest in your Future.

SummerWorks is a 10-week summer professional development, employment, and mentorship program for young adults in Washtenaw County (ages 16-24). This program provides the opportunity to:

- Network with local professionals
- Explore career opportunities and new industries
- Build essential job and leadership skills

### What are you signing up for?

- You can expect to...
  - Improve your "Essential Skills" such as resume writing, interviewing, & more.
  - Be matched with a mentor from a local organization, business, or government.
  - Attend career sneak peeks with guest speakers who will show you what it's like to work in their field.
- You may be selected for a PAID Summer Internship, which means
  - Working 10 weeks, 20 hours a week from June through August



*"SummerWorks is awesome. It offers youth the opportunity to be in spaces and around people we can learn from."*

*- SummerWorks Young Adult*

*"Before this summer I didn't know how to act in a professional setting or in a job interview. You don't learn that in school!"*

*- SummerWorks Young Adult*

*"I love the opportunity to work in a professional setting and gain work experience. I feel more prepared for my next job and my career."*

*- SummerWorks Young Adult*

For more information, including how to apply:



[SummerWorks.info](https://www.summerworks.info)



[syesupport@umich.edu](mailto:syesupport@umich.edu)



# 2021 Summer Playground Camp



## In-Person Camp RE-OPENING!!

Due to the COVID-19 registration Summer Camp will have limitations:

- 30 Camper limit (per site)
- 4 consecutive weeks max for registration
- Daily health screenings

### TO REGISTER

1. ONLINE at [parksonline.ewashtenaw.org](https://parksonline.ewashtenaw.org)

2. MAIL IN applications to  
PO Box 8645  
Ann Arbor, MI 48107



For more information please contact Karen Harris at [harrisk@washtenaw.org](mailto:harrisk@washtenaw.org)



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## FREE-GED & ESL Virtual Classes offered by WCC

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It's still not business as usual, but it may be just the right time to enroll in our **online-virtual program**. Experience classroom learning with the expertise of certified instructors from the safety of your home. For now, we've moved our program to a virtual format that still allows us to provide students with the integrated curriculum and comprehensive support we are known for.

Pathway students prepare for college, career, and training opportunities with an option to earn Micro credentials in: *Essential Computer Skills, Digital Communications, Workplace Readiness, and Financial Literacy.*

**GED Pathway classes start April 12**  
Morning, Evening, and Self-Paced Sessions Available  
All new students must attend one mandatory orientation offered between March 8-April 1, 2021

- Ages 16+
- A valid, government issued ID
- Social Security number

Space is limited so call to sign up  
for GED Pathway classes today!  
734-677-5006 or visit our website at

<https://www.wccnet.edu/start-now/ged/>

## FREE ESL CLASSES & CONVERSATION GROUPS START APRIL 12TH!

- Ages 18+
- A valid, government issued ID



For more information:

**Call/Text/Whatsapp:**

**734-219-3781**

**Email: [jjenista@wccnet.edu](mailto:jjenista@wccnet.edu)**



**Go directly to:**

<http://bit.ly/Signup4ESL> to register!

Washtenaw Community College does not discriminate on the basis of religion, race, color, national origin, age, sex, height, weight, marital status, disability, veteran status, sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression, or any other protected status in its programs and activities. The following office has been designated to handle inquiries regarding non-discrimination policies: Vice president of Student and Academic Services, SC 247 734-973-3536. Faculty access inquiries: V.P. for Facilities Development and Operations, PO 112, 734-677-5322. If you have a disability and require accommodation to participate in this event, contact Learning Support Services (LSS) at 734-673-3342 to request accommodations at least 72 hours in advance. These materials were developed under a grant awarded by the LEO-WD.

**The Washtenaw County Health Department** has a new data portal that will provide weekly updates on vaccinations and breaks down information by zip code, including vaccine providers. Please click on the links to retrieve this information.

<https://www.washtenaw.org/CivicAlerts.aspx?AID=1452>

<https://www.washtenaw.org/3332/Vaccine-Data>

<https://www.washtenaw.org/3337/Vaccine-Providers-in-Washtenaw-County>

**The TEFL Academy** (<https://www.theteflacademy.com>) are extremely excited to tell you that we're offering a scholarship to students at [Ypsilanti Community Schools](#). We would love to make an application for this scholarship to be available to all your students.

The TEFL Academy is all about supporting students who want to uncover the life changing career path that is Teaching English as a Foreign Language abroad. We believe in the importance of education and the incredible impact it has on everyone's lives. As such, we're sponsoring a contest for students who want to pursue a career as a TEFL teacher in order to receive a \$2,500 scholarship from The TEFL Academy.

### **Eligibility**

In order to take part in the scholarship, applicants must meet the following criteria:

- Be a US citizen
- Must be a current student at [Ypsilanti Community Schools](#)
- Must have a minimum GPA of 2.5
- Must be in good academic standing with your institution
- Submissions must be made in email to [scholarships@theteflacademy.com](mailto:scholarships@theteflacademy.com), include their full name, address, date of birth, name of the school they're currently attending, phone number and GPA – along with a 30-60 second video clip (videos can be uploaded directly to YouTube or any other video sharing platform and they can include the link in the email) talking about why they're looking to pursue a career teaching English abroad.
- We want to know how they'd strive to change people's lives in their career as a TEFL teacher, a little bit about them and their background.

- Deadline for applications is July 1st, 2022

The link to our scholarship page for full info is here:

<https://www.theteflacademy.com/scholarships>

### **NEW Learning Lab Locations!!!**

Parkridge Learning Labs have spots available for YCS students. Please see the flyer for more details on registration.

#### **Parkridge Learning Lab**

Monday - Thursday

9:00am - 3:00pm

Grades K-5

Email: [learninglabs@ycschools.us](mailto:learninglabs@ycschools.us)

#### **uniteSTEM Learning Lab**

Monday - Thursday

8:30am - 3:00pm

Grades 2-8

Email: [learninglabs@ycschools.us](mailto:learninglabs@ycschools.us)

#### **Hamilton Crossing\***

Tuesday & Thursdays

1:00pm - 3:00pm

All Grades

Capacity: 12

\*Residents only

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## **Reminder: YCS Code of Conduct**

Parents and guardians, please be reminded that the Ypsilanti Community Schools Code of Conduct is in full effect during online learning. Students must display appropriate behavior while attending in-person classes, along with virtual classes. Any disciplinary issues will be reported to the administration and could result in disciplinary action, including suspension or further disciplinary action by the Board of Education. Please



visit [www.ycschools.us](http://www.ycschools.us) for more information on the Code of Conduct.

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